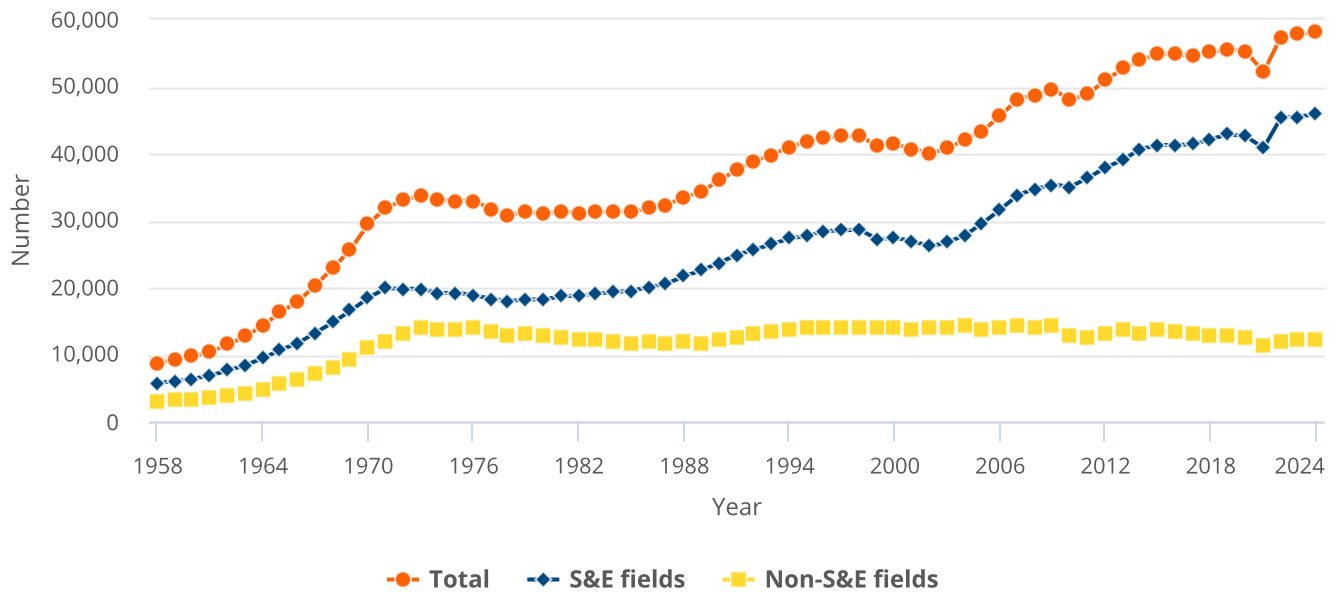


Figure 1. Doctorates awarded by U.S. colleges and universities: 1958–2024



S&E = science and engineering.

**Note(s):**

The survey data collection for field of study changed in 2021, which may affect the data comparison across years. This figure uses the trend field taxonomy that facilitates trend data comparisons with prior years; for more information, see the "Data source" section.

**Source(s):**

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates, 2024. Related detailed [table 1-1](#).